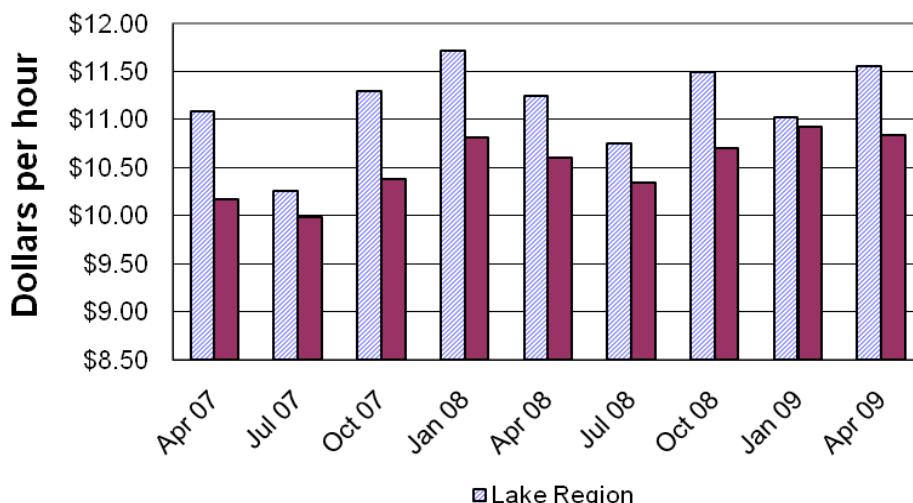


## FARM LABOR

Regional and national data for hired workers, hours worked, and wage rates are published quarterly. Minnesota is included in the Lake Region, which also includes Michigan and Wisconsin. Information from the Farm Labor report is used to determine farm labor's role as a component in production costs, evaluate the overall impact of wage rate changes, and to quantify the nation's demand for farm labor.

Farm Labor estimates are made at the U.S. and regional levels in January, April, July, and October for the week including the 12<sup>th</sup> of the month.

## WAGE RATES FOR ALL HIRED WORKERS Excluding Agricultural Service Workers



## Hired Workers: Annual Average Wage Rates, Minnesota, 2004-2008 1/

Year	All Hired		Field		Field & Livestock	
	Dollars per Hour					
2004	10.93		10.13		10.02	
2005	11.05		10.70		10.50	
2006	11.07		10.16		10.21	
2007 2/	10.87		10.12		10.01	
2008	11.25		10.80		10.63	

1/ Excludes Agricultural Service Workers.

2/ Average Wage Rates include modeled data for January in 2007 because the January Survey was not conducted due to budget constraints.

## Farm Labor: Farm Workers and Wages by Type of Work, Lake Region, 2007-2009 1/

Year and Month	Hired Workers and Hours Worked			Wages, Type of Work			
	Number of Workers	Expected to be Employed		Number of Hours Worked	All Hired	Field	Livestock
		150 Days or More	149 Days or Less				
2007		1,000 Workers		Hours	Dollars Per Hour		
January 2/							
April	56	44	12	38.0	11.08	10.11	9.99
July	78	47	31	40.2	10.26	9.52	9.33
October	67	42	25	38.9	11.30	10.75	10.64
2008							
January	40	34	6	33.1	11.72	10.93	10.67
April	52	39	13	39.0	11.25	10.57	10.78
July	64	44	20	36.5	10.75	10.10	10.09
October	66	42	24	36.2	11.49	11.43	10.20
2009							
January	43	36	7	34.0	11.02	10.83	9.96
April	56	42	14	39.5	11.55	10.92	10.83

1/ Farm Workers excludes Agricultural Service Workers. Lake Region includes Minnesota, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

2/ January Agricultural Labor Survey not conducted due to budget constraints.